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Board of Water Supply Rules Committee

Minutes of November 11, 2004, Meeting

Held at the Kahului Shopping Center 65 West Kaahumanu Avenue, Unit 29 Kahului, Maui, Hawaii.

The meeting was audiotaped.

Present: Sally Raisbeck, Kenneth Okamura, Ralph Johansen, and Michael Victorino (alternate)

Member of the public: Greg Perreira Absent: Michele McLean (alternate)

HANDOUTS:

Agenda for County Council Water Resources Committee meeting on November 17, 2004

Letter from George Tengan to Dain Kane, October 25, 2004

Letter from Danny Mateo to George Tengan, Nov 8,2004

Draft minutes of Rules Committee for October 7, 2004

Draft minutes of Rules Committee for September 9, 2004

Report written by Sally Raisbeck about the meeting of the State Commission on Water Resource Management on Maui on October 28, 2004, regarding the Iao Water Use Permit applications

MINUTES

Approval of minutes were deferred until the next meeting. Sally proposed that the last ten minutes of each meeting be devoted to summarizing minutes of that meeting.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Greg Perreira introduced himself as a representative of the Government Affairs Committee of the Realtors Association of Maui, specializing in water issues. They are hoping to help coordinate water issues among the department, the Board, the Council, and the public, "so everyone is on the same page".

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chapter 106. Water Meter Issuance Rule for Upcountry Water System. The committee has finished its work on 106, their recommendations were presented to the Board at the last Board meeting. Mike Victorino as chair will sign the transmittal letter to the Mayor and Council tomorrow.

Chapter 7, Rules for Charges for Water Service, and Chapter 108, Rules for Water System Development Fees. We began discussion. For next meeting, Sally will ask Holly Perdido (fiscal officer) to be present to explain procedures and answer questions. We will change the meeting to 1 pm to make it easier for her to attend. Ralph raised a question as to whether CIP funds can be used for human and variable capital? I.e., could CIP be used to raise salaries or for outsourcing, since department cannot fill slots at current salaries?

OTHER BUSINESS

State CWRM Meeting Mike reported that information is not being reported that Board needs to know. Also the Hawaiian community is very unhappy about stream diversions. Sally mentioned her concern about land title issues being advocated by Mahealani Ventura-Oliver. The committee discussed the failure of the department to provide us with timely information about important issues. Mike suggested the Board needs to identify and list its priorities and concerns, and establish what issues we feel we are not being told enough about, and will put this on an agenda.

Water Use and Development Plan. Mike reported that Yvonne Izu, Deputy Director of DLNR, had told him at the HWWA meeting that if we had a completed WUDP in force, the county would have much more say about private use of water in undesignated aquifers, for example Waihee aquifer. Committee agreed that we must move much faster on the WUDP. Mike will ask Brian Moto about using the Sunshine Law's provisions (Section 92-2.5) for assigning 2-4 members to investigate how the WUDP can be speeded up. One option might be to use the 1992 version as a skeleton. We will request that every board member get a copy of the 1992 version. Ken pointed out other options need investigating. Sally pointed out each Community Plan's sections on water must be factored in. Ralph mentioned the study by Lucienne DeNaie of private wells, and that her data could be brought to the Board.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, December 2, at 1 pm. Attendance by Holly Perdido is requested, to explain procedures and answer questions.

ADJOURNMENT at 4:20 pm.

Minutes taken by Sally Raisbeck